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Neptun-Werft, Rostock

1. A thorough investigation of the last months shows that no specialists in the Neptun-Werft have been deported to Russia. The number of employees in the middle of March 1948 was 3,800.
2. The Russians have increased their efforts to employ 5,000 workers by 15 May. Among the 1200 new specialists scheduled to come to the shipyard in the next two months are lathe operators, locksmiths, shipbuilders, carpenters, welders, blacksmiths, and mechanics. Because these same types of specialists are needed in the other Russian controlled shipyards in Mecklenburg, there is little chance of filling these positions. Already workers have been brought from the Schichau works in Elbing and Königsberg, and the Homnick works in Elbing.
3. Work has been intensified on the production of "Fischerel" motor-boats. The actual function of these boats cannot as yet be ascertained.
4. One German torpedo boat-destroyer, built in 1938, somewhat over 1800 tons, has been completely repaired and taken over by the Russian Receiving Commission. The head engineer learned from General Director Pfeiffer that this destroyer will not at present be assigned to the Russian Navy. It has sailed to the city docks of Leningrad. There it will be taken apart and used as a building model for the construction of torpedo boat-destroyers.

Krüger-Werft, Warnemünde

5. It is planned to increase the number of employees to 2000; in the last two months the number has risen from 1000 to 1200.
6. Work is continuing on the reconversion of the former "Kraft durch Freude" ship, "Der Deutsche", over 20,000 tons. A new two-stack ocean steamer, 15-18,000 tons, former Russian troop transport, has arrived for repairs.

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